

COMING WEEK IN CONGRESS.

Opposition Will Not Delay Passage of the Financial Bill.

DEBATE OVER QUAY CONTEST.

The Case Is Liable to Cause Animated Discussion—Samoan Treaty to Be Brought Up—Business in the House Not of Much Importance.

Washington, Jan. 2.—With the resumption of its sittings Wednesday the senate will practically begin the real work of the session. There is no present purpose on the part of the opposition to delay the passage of the financial bill unnecessarily, and none on the part of its supporters to press the measure to the personal inconvenience of opposing senators. Those senators who are antagonistic to the bill freely confess their inability to defeat it, saying that it will get practically the entire republican vote if needed, and probably one or two democratic votes.

It now seems probable that there will be more debate over the Quay contest than over the financial measure. Up to date not more than half a dozen senators have announced a purpose to make set financial speeches, while the probabilities are that the Quay case will call out much animated discussion. There will be an early effort to get up the Samoan treaty, and it may furnish the basis for discussion of the foreign policy if one is not found before the treaty is considered.

The coming week in the house does not give promise of much business. The committees have not yet begun active work and no legislation of pressing importance has been reported. The appropriations committee has not yet considered the urgent deficiency bill, although the measure has been prepared. This bill may be brought in during the week if there should be a request from the executive departments asking its early passage. As the bill will carry nearly \$50,000,000 for the army, most of which is on account of the Philippines, it is quite likely there will be considerable discussion of the Philippine policy while the measure is before the house.

TO SELL DANISH WEST INDIES

United States Will Be the Purchaser, It Is Expected—Price \$4,000,000.

London, Jan. 2.—The Copenhagen correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "The sale by Denmark of the Danish West Indies to the United States bids fair to be accomplished. The Danish captain, Christmas, who has secured the support of President McKinley, Admiral Dewey and a number of influential American senators, is acting as intermediary between the two governments. For several days an attaché of one of the principal United States embassies has been here, having long interviews with the Danish minister of finance, Dr. Haeffling, and this week Capt. Christmas will go to Washington to assist the publication of the American official offer. No opposition is expected from King Christian. The price has been fixed at \$4,000,000."

DOWIE TELLS OF HIS CITY.

Will Found "Zion in Lake County, North of Waukegan.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—John Alexander Dowie has announced the site of the city he says he will build and which he will call Zion. Zion, he says, will be built on land secured in Benton township, Lake county, three miles north of Waukegan. The site is four and one-half miles long by one and one-half miles wide and fronts on Lake Michigan. Of the land, 5,940 acres have been secured, and in a week it is expected to secure the sixty acres needed to make the 6,000 wanted. The plans for the city, as announced by Dowie, are elaborate, including a great park in the center, a wide pleasure and a shipping harbor. Dowie promised his followers he would soon report on his scheme to raise \$1,000,000.

Many Claims for Pensions.

Washington, Jan. 2.—Commissioner of Pensions Evans says claims for widows and orphans of soldiers in the civil war, and the claims for pensions due to the late Spanish war are coming in as fast as the pension roll is diminished by the deaths of veterans of the civil war. This will be increased by the addition of their widows and the veterans of the late war, so that the payment of pensions at the rate of \$150,000,000 annually promises to continue for many years. With the revenues of the country swollen by nearly \$200,000,000 from the war-revenue tax, expenditures for pensions still amount to 25 per cent of the gross annual income of the government, and more than 100 bills have been introduced in congress to provide additional special pensions.

Earthquake in California.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 2.—Two slight earthquakes occurred here early Sunday morning. The shocks were felt at nearly all points within 100 miles of this city.

At San Diego a sharp shock occurred at 3 o'clock Sunday morning, and a second at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

LEO HAS NAMED HIS CHOICE.

He Would Make Cardinal Gotti the Next Pope.

Rome, Jan. 2.—It is understood among those on terms of intimacy in vatican circles that Pope Leo has candidly made known his choice as his successor. Cardinal Girolamo Maria Gotti, a Genoese monk not yet 65 years old, who has lived a severely religious life, is said to have been pointed out by the present venerable pontiff as one who would most fitly sit upon the papal throne.

HAD PLANNED AN UPRISING.

Formidable Plot Accidentally Revealed at Manila.

Manila, Jan. 2.—Four explosive bombs, a few firearms and 500 rounds of ammunition were discovered in a house in the center of Manila Sunday while the police were seeking Recarte, the insurgent leader, who is said to have come to Manila in the hope of effecting an outbreak by taking advantage of the mobilization of the American troops at Gen. Lawton's funeral.

It has developed that the plot included the throwing of bombs among the foreign consuls attending the ceremony, in order to bring about international complications. These, it seems, were to be thrown from the Escolta's high buildings, but the avoidance of the Escolta by the funeral procession spoiled the plan.

The populace, it is thought, had been prepared for the attempt by a rumor circulated widely among the natives that Aguineldo was in Manila, and would personally lead the outbreak. The American authorities, having been advised of what was brewing, prepared for all contingencies.

Capt. Morrison, who commands the troops in the most turbulent districts of the city, says he does not believe an actual uprising will ever occur, as the natives lack the resolution to take the first steps in a movement that would entail fighting at close quarters with the American troops.

An American advance in Cavite province, south of Manila, is expected shortly. Reliable reports from native spies show that there are upward of 2,000 organized insurgents under arms within a mile of Imus. They are strengthening their intrenchments, and possess artillery.

At Novala the Filipino intrenchments have been much strengthened since Gen. Schwan's advance. A thousand of the enemy are in that vicinity, and there are 600 at San Francisco de Malabon. From twelve to a hundred garrison all the towns in the southern part of Cavite province, and the same may be said of the towns in Batangas province.

It is estimated that 1,000 insurgents are intrenched at Calamba.

Reports have been received that 2,000 insurgents are massed at Mount Arayat, having strong positions which command steep and narrow trails, and that they are preparing to roll boulders down upon the advancing troops.

Life along the coasts of the provinces of Cagayan and North and South Ilocos is resuming normal conditions. The American troops occupy the important towns and patrol the country roads. The natives implore the Americans to continue the occupation, to establish a settled government and to terminate the uncertainty, abuses and confiscations that have characterized the rule of the Tagal revolutionists during the last eighteen months.

Incoming Spanish prisoners declare that Aguineldo has ordered the release of all Spaniards now in possession of the rebels. The mountain passes of Cagayan and the two Ilocos provinces are still guarded in the hope of catching the insurgent Gen. Tinio, who is still a fugitive. It is asserted that Lieut. Gilmore is in Tinio's custody.

Brings Stain Home.

Washington, Jan. 2.—The remains of Major John A. Logan, also those of Major Gen. Henry W. Lawton and Lieut. Ledyard, are now on their way home on the transport Thomas, which started from Manila Saturday. The Thomas is expected to arrive at San Francisco in twenty-six days.

TO SUCCEED GEN. LAWTON.

"Fighting Joe" and Gen. Bates Prominently Mentioned.

Manila, Jan. 2.—There is much speculation here regarding the selection of Gen. Lawton's successor to the southern command of Luzon. Both Gen. Joseph Wheeler and Gen. Bates are prominently mentioned, the former being the senior brigadier-general and lineally entitled to the command. Gen. Wheeler says, however, that no selection has as yet been determined upon.

Gen. Wheeler expects soon to return to the United States, but he does not want to go as long as there is fighting in the Philippines. Regarding the present situation, he said:

"I think the fighting will be over within a week after the movement to the south of Manila begins. To northward the campaign is practically over, and I find the friendliness of the natives toward us increasing greatly."

"There are still strong insurgent forces south of Manila, but I think our troops will break them up within a week after we move. I regard it as possible that Aguineldo has reached the southern lines."

The American campaign south of Manila is soon to be prosecuted, and the likelihood is that it will be desperate. It is reported that within the last six months the German ship Clara has landed 18,000 rifles and 10,000,000 rounds of ammunition at Camarines. It is believed here that the Americans will soon overcome opposition, but there is little confidence that the insurgents' arms will be captured.

Denies Annexation of Territory.

Cape Town, Dec. 27.—The Orange Free State organ, One Land, declares positively that the Free State has not annexed one square yard of Cape Colony territory since the war began. They have simply placed the occupied districts, it says, under command law.

Sweeping Reduction in Taxes. Madrid, Jan. 2.—The Valladolid chambers of commerce have announced for Jan. 14 a meeting at which the farming class is invited to be represented. Economic reforms and a sweeping reduction in taxes will be demanded.

GERMAN VESSEL IS SEIZED

British Warship Takes the Steam-er Bundesrath.

GERMANY ASKS EXPLANATION.

The Action Is Described in Berlin as "Gross British Insolence," While the British Claim the Captured Vessel Had Boer Recruits Aboard.

International Events.

Saturday the British man-of-war Magicienne seized a German merchantman in Delagoa Bay and started with the prize to Durban.

The German vessel, the Bundesrath, hailed from Hamburg, and the British say that she had recruits for the Boers on board. Hamburg merchants held an indignation meeting and the owners of the ship asked Prince Hohenlohe to interpose an objection. He responded Sunday by asking Great Britain to explain the action. Two German warships are en route to Delagoa Bay. The action of the German government in sending them to that port adds a new and dangerous phase to a situation already critical.

A French vessel was stopped several days ago and searched, but was immediately released and permitted to proceed. France, however, has taken up the matter and demanded an explanation of England.

The seizures have increased the anti-British feeling at Lorenzo Marquez. A loud protest has gone up in England against the establishment of a precedent by the British government so dangerous as the declaration that foodstuffs are contraband of war.

It is not believed that Victoria's Cabinet will continue to seize foodstuffs.

It is believed in Washington that the vessels containing American cargoes which were seized also had on board contraband of war, such as Boer recruits or ammunition.

It is semi-officially announced in Germany that the triple treaty which gives Delagoa Bay to England exists in fact, but goes into effect only under certain circumstances.

Unwise Move of Britain.

London, Jan. 1.—In a letter to the Times Lord Rosebery raises the question, which he describes as of supreme importance, whether the British government treated foodstuffs generally as contraband of war. Lord Rosebery's object, as he explains himself, is merely to elicit an authoritative statement of what has happened in South African waters. The Times says there is no doubt that there is a very widespread feeling here that it would be unwise for Great Britain to create a precedent which might some day be invoked against her.

Will Pay If Found Liable.

London, Jan. 1.—Referring to the seizure of the three vessels bound for Delagoa bay, the Times says, editorially: "It is satisfactory," says the Times, "to learn that the Washington government is acting in regard to the American cargoes seized in Delagoa bay as we should have wished and expected. It is a matter of course that we shall make full reparation, if reparation is proved to be due."

LAUGH AT "PEACE AGENTS."

Only Unconditional Surrender Will Be Accepted in the Philippines.

Washington, Jan. 1.—At the war and state departments only smiles are provoked by the offer of Fernandez, the unauthorized Filipino agent, who is now in this country and proposes to settle the war if proper terms are made. The time for terms passed long ago, and the present campaign will be conducted until there is not an armed Filipino soldier in the islands.

No terms but unconditional surrender have ever been considered since the efforts of the commission were rejected by Aguineldo last spring.

While in Washington, it is said, the three representatives are to make a canvass of the members of the senate and house of representatives, with the object of learning each member's attitude toward the administration and the Filipino war.

Breaks All Mining Records.

Colorado Springs, Col., Jan. 1.—December Cripple Creek dividends break the records of all previous months in the history of the great gold camp. The total is \$1,227,433.42. Of this sum \$257,899 was realized from the sales of property, as follows: Mount Rosa, \$40,000; Orphan Belle, \$22,000; Thompson, \$125,000, and Lawrence, \$10,000. The rest was from output in excess of all expenditure and reserve fund. The highest former record was for September, 1899, \$733,000, which included \$488,000 from Stratton's Independence first quarterly.

Not to Watch American Coast.

Bermuda, Jan. 1.—There is no truth in the report that British cruisers are to watch the American coast to stop filibusters. The program for the British fleet is to sail on Jan. 6 on a West Indian cruise.

Russians in the Boer Army.

London, Jan. 1.—The Marseilles correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing the substance of an interview with the Russian Gen. Gourko, eldest son of the famous Gourko, who is now about to start for Pretoria, says that the Russian officer made the following statement: "I have been offered the command of a Boer army corps. In my own mind I am absolutely confident of the success of the Boers. You may take my word for it that thousands of Russians are now fighting under Gen.oubert."

TERRORIZING THE NATIVES.

Insurgent Bands Punish Those Who Are Friendly to America.

Manila, Jan. 1.—The insurgents who recently evacuated the coast towns lying between Dajupan and Vigan, fleeing to the mountains before the advancing Americans, are returning in small bands to the towns the Americans do not occupy and terrorizing the natives and Chinamen who showed friendship to the Americans. The natives and Chinamen are seeking the protection of the American garrisons.

American Prisoners Separated.

Col. Wessel's cavalry, while scouting in the vicinity of Trinidad, found evidence of Filipino soldiers being in that vicinity, but it was impossible to bring about an engagement.

The recent increase in the garrison of Nampacan against a threatened rebel attack on Christmas day averted trouble.

Col. Luther R. Hare of the Thirty-third infantry, who has been following a party of American prisoners, lost track for three days, about Dec. 20, of such signs and evidences of their passage as they customarily left behind them. It is thought the prisoners were separated and conveyed to remote parts of the mountains, thus increasing the difficulties of Gen. Young's troops to effect a rescue.

Lieut. Taylor Killed.

Gen. Otis at Manila cabled the war department that First Lieut. Edward R. Taylor, Twelfth infantry, was run over by a train crossing the Agno river, near Bautista, on the 26th inst., and died in a few hours.

MANY LIVES ARE IN PERIL.

Big Liner Wrecked on a Reef Off the English Coast.

London, Jan. 1.—An outward-bound Hamburg-American liner is reported to have struck on the sands on the east side of Dungeness, on the way down the channel. The boat went on in a heavy gale, which still continues. Its position is reported to be perilous, and unless the gale abates great loss of life may occur before assistance can reach the vessel. It is stated that a large number of passengers are on board and the assistance of tugs and life-boats was urgently requested from Keystone and Dover.

There is no wire connection with Dungeness, but reports that have reached Dover and Folkestone say the wrecked vessel is a Hamburg-American liner. The shipping lists report no Atlantic liner leaving Hamburg yesterday, and no German Lloyd liner for New York this week.

To Avert Labor War.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—A permanent arbitration board, to settle all differences between labor unions and contractors, and the averting of the chances of a labor war practically were assured Friday. At the meetings of the Building Trades' council and the Building Contractors' council the report of the joint conference committee representing the two organizations was accepted. The principal recommendation of the conference committee was the establishment of a permanent arbitration board. This board will consist of eleven members and adjudicate all difficulties that may arise.

Fear French Raids Is Lost.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 1.—Great anxiety is felt in local shipping circles for the overdue French bark Louis Pasteur, from Limerick for Astoria, Ore., and it is feared that the Pasteur is the vessel sighted ashore on the coast of Terra del Fuego not far from where the Blanca struck. The Blanca was in company with the Pasteur up to a short time before she was wrecked. Anxiety for the Pasteur has spread to a fear for the safety of other vessels bound for California and Oregon ports and today reinsurance was quoted on eight overdue vessels.

Sternberg Talks of Samoa.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 1.—Baron von Sternberg, Germany's commissioner to Samoa, was the principal speaker at the last day's meeting of the American Historical society Friday. "The Samoa Question" was his subject. He outlined the various troubles in recent years, paid a fitting tribute to Capt. Steinberger, who, in 1873, was sent by the United States on a special mission to the islands, and in conclusion said: "There is no doubt whatever that where American and German citizens co-operate matters always have improved and will improve."

Trying to Ward Off Plague.

London, Jan. 1.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Sydney says: "There have been more deaths from the plague among the blacks at Noumea, New Caledonia, and several fresh cases are reported among the whites. Precautions are being taken against the introduction of the scourge into New South Wales and Queensland. In Sydney some rookeries have been demolished. Particulars of an alleged cure for the plague have also been cabled to Noumea."

Rebel Leaders in Flight.

Caracas, Jan. 1.—Gen. Hernandez, the rebel leader, with a few men, is in full flight toward the Colombian frontier. The revolution is practically over.

Cleveland Not Seriously Ill.

Princeton, N.J., Jan. 1.—In response to numerous inquiries from different parts of the country as to the health of former President Cleveland, who has been confined to his home by illness, Dr. Wikoff, who is attending him, repeated his statement that Mr. Cleveland was suffering from an attack of rheumatism, which at times kept him in bed and made it difficult for him to move about. Dr. Wikoff denies the report that alarming symptoms have developed in Mr. Cleveland's case.

Read-Edo Railroad Collision.

There was a costly wreck on the Hannibal and St. Joseph railroad at Ely, eight miles west of Palmyra last week. A head-end collision between two freight trains occurred. Freight train No. 72 was to have side-tracked at Ely for train No. 69, going west, but failed to do so. Engineer Frank Carter on No. 72 attempted to jump from the rear of his engine, but was caught by the tender and suffered injuries from which he died in a few hours. His fireman jumped through the cab window and escaped without injury. Both the engineer and fireman on train No. 69 saved their lives by jumping from the engine. Both engines were badly damaged, as were also a number of cars. It took the wrecking crews several hours to clear the track.

Charles Grant's Life Spared.

Gov. Stephens commuted the sentence of Charles Grant, colored, who was to have been hanged at Platt City, Platte county, January 6, 1900, to fifty years in the penitentiary. The commutation was strongly urged by many citizens of both Jackson and Platt Counties. Grant is only 22 years old and killed his wife at Parkville in 1887 under circumstances that have many extenuating features. Until this crime his character was of the best, and he was sober and industrious. He will be taken to the prison at once to commence his long sentence. Both Judge Herndon, who tried the case, and Senator F. M. Wilson, who prosecuted Grant, recommended executive clemency.

Fatal Mine Accident.

Another fatal mine accident occurred in the Joplin zinc district last week. James Fry and Edward Overton, working at the Phoenix Mine, near Prosperity, entered the tub to go down into the mine. The regular hoisterman had not returned to work, and a new man was in his place. He let the tub down about twenty feet, then reversed the engine, hauling up the tub with great force and lifting it into the wheel above, knocking both of the miners out of the tub into the shaft. They fell 220 feet to the bottom of the shaft. Their bones were broken and their bodies were horribly crushed. Both were killed instantly.

Big Fire at Pacific.

The St. Louis Glass Sand Company's works at Pacific, the plant of a chartered company, capitalized at \$100,000, and doing an extensive business, was destroyed by fire last week. The loss of this plant is a severe blow to Pacific, as it distributed \$1000 per month through its day labor, in addition to salaries of officers, foremen, book-keepers, etc. The impression prevails among stockholders and the public that it will not be rebuilt. A plant was burned on the same site a few years ago, but the last structure was considered almost fireproof. The fire probably originated from friction of the machinery.

Killing at Vandalia, Mo.

Ed. Spencer and Night Watchman Eddleman of Vandalia had some misunderstanding last week and friend, interfered, and for the time stopped the trouble, but later they met again in J. S. Atkins' saloon, when Spencer shot Eddleman down without a moment's warning. Spencer was arrested and placed in the city jail, where he remained under heavy guard, as there was talk about town that he would be mobbed, but trouble was averted, and all seems quiet now.

An Old Man's Suicide.

Bernard W. Schirmer, a St. Louis grocerman, 57 years old, committed suicide last week by shooting himself in the right temple. His body was found in an outhouse in the rear of his grocery and butcher shop by his aged wife.

The police say that Schirmer did a good business during the summer while the volunteers were at Jefferson Barracks. Since then his business had diminished, and he began drinking.

Died at the Age of 110.

Easter Allen, a colored woman, living at Bird's Point, Mo., who celebrated her 110th birthday on Christmas day, died Wednesday. She was born in Maryland, but had resided in Southeast Missouri for the past sixty years. Her memory was good to the last, and enabled her to recall events which proved her claims in regard to her age to be substantially true. She has a son living in Cairo, Ill.

Veteran Burned to Death.

William Simmons, aged 86, a Macon county pioneer and veteran of the civil war, was burned to death in his house, near Blackwell, last week. He had been living alone for several years and refused to go to the home of his children. The explosion of a lamp is supposed to have been the cause of the conflagration.

W. A. Whitesell Pardoned.

Governor Stephens has pardoned W. A. Whitesell, who was sentenced to the penitentiary in 1897 for five years for criminal assault. The pardon was recommended by Judge McAfee and Prosecuting Attorney Wear because of mitigating circumstances.

Would Have Saved Money.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Advocates of a government armor plant figure that the federal treasury is out \$5,000,000 through the failure of congress to build a plant three or four years ago when the proposed scheme was urged strenuously. They estimate that the advance in iron and steel and labor within the last three years amounts to the aggregate to \$5,000,000 on vessels already ordered. These people will put up a strong argument for a government plant, and it may carry.

Americans Killed or Captured.

Manila, Jan. 1.—Six men of the signal corps were attacked Thursday at Talevera, east of Tarlac, by a force of 200 insurgents, and four of them were either killed or captured.

THE NEWS RESUME.

England is negotiating with Portugal to obtain possession of Delagoa Bay.

Nine firemen were injured in a fire Saturday at Chicago. Property loss \$950,000.

William J. Bryan and party captured a panther alive after an exciting chase in Texas.

Grover Cleveland has rheumatic gout which prevents his usual gunning tour at this season.

Governor Stevens of Missouri has decided not to call an extra session of the legislature.

A baggage coach on the Frisco railroad caught fire and was destroyed, cremating a corpse.

The bodies of the Maine dead were laid in final rest at Arlington Cemetery, Washington, Thursday.

The new battleships New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Georgia will be the greatest ever projected by the navy.

Government officials do not place any credence in the reported organization of a Fenian army to raid Canada.

The Chinese Minister receives word that Li Hung Chang, has been made viceroy of two provinces in South China.

Armours Kansas City packing plant is making heavy shipments of canned beef to the Transvaal for the use of the Boer army.

The first trade treaty between China and Mexico has just been completed and signed by the representatives of both countries.

The Treasury has received government bonds to the amount of \$17,000,000, par value, to secure deposits of revenue in United States banks.

"Kid" McCoy bested Peter Maher in the fifth round Monday night in New York. Maher was knocked out completely. McCoy will receive about \$12,000.

Germany has asked Great Britain to explain the seizure of a German vessel in Delagoa Bay. The British claim that Boer recruits were aboard the captured ship.

All the great powers of Europe except Italy have agreed to co-operate with the United States for an "open door" in China. It is said Italy will grant a favorable answer soon.

At Manila on the day of Gen. Lawton's funeral it was discovered that a plot to throw bombs had been planned by rebels. This was discovered in time to prevent its culmination, and a search of the houses commenced. In one place 500 rounds of ammunition was found.

Gov. Mount Denounces Trusts.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 30.—Gov. Mount, in a speech before the Indiana Hotel-Keepers' association, denounced trusts. "I am in favor," said he, "of removing all tariff protection from such industries as may combine to destroy competition." Gov. Mount said the argument that trusts cheapen articles is misleading. He took the case of the Standard Oil company, and held that great corporations had not been beneficial. Another potent danger to the public weal, he said, is the political influence of those great aggregations of capital.

Buyers Rifles and Cartridges.

New York, Jan. 1.—It is said that an order for 20,000 Mauser rifles and 2,000,000 cartridges has been placed for the government of Venezuela with G. Amsinck & Co. of this city. There have been persistent rumors afloat recently of a probable war between Venezuela and Colombia, and the shipment a few weeks ago from this port to the Colombian government of 24,000 rifles and 12,000,000 cartridges gave the rumors the color of truth.

False Report to Department.

Indianapolis, Jan. 1.—The attorney general, acting on the request of the auditor of state, has asked the Superior court to appoint a trustee to assume charge of the affairs of the Model Life Insurance company of Indianapolis. The present officers of the company are accused by the auditor with having made a false report to the department on the condition of the company.

Says Gage Will Not Retire.

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 1.—Senator M. A. Hanna declared in positive terms that there was absolutely nothing in the report sent out from Chicago to the effect that Secretary of the Treasury Lyman J. Gage was to retire from the cabinet because of the criticisms evoked by his attitude toward the National City bank of New York.

Would Move Nation's Capital.

Evansville, Ind., Jan. 1.—Judge Thomas H. Dillon of Petersburg announced Friday he would be a democratic candidate for congress in the First district. He issued a long address to the public, in which he suggested that the national capital be removed to St. Louis that the plain people may be recognized.

Composer Milloer Is Ill.

Vienna, Jan. 1.—Milloer, the composer, is suffering from a paralytic stroke. His condition is critical.

Fierce Fire in New York.

New York, Jan. 1.—The two seven-story buildings at 425 to 535 East Twenty-fourth street, occupied principally by the wall-paper factory of Wm. Campbell & Co., were destroyed by fire Friday night. The loss is fully \$500,000.

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